



# CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 2017

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## FROM THE ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

Christmas is so very close and the concert upon us! There seems to be such a lot to fit into all our lives and I want to thank everyone who is participating and making the concert happen – the ballets (The Queen Bee's Party and Raymonda) have come together so well and I am excited to see all our students performing next week. I am also excited to see all the jazz, tap contemporary and character items! Costumes are almost complete as I write, and sets are looking fabulous. Many volunteers put in huge amounts of time to support the students of this school and give them this sort of opportunity and I want to thank them all – costume makers, set builders and painters, scenery crews, those who clean up after everyone and cook sausages so that the dancers have food during combined rehearsals, and of course the parents and family members who ensure their children are at rehearsals and have their costumes ready.

Thanks also to the committee who support the work we do and ensure rosters are up and working, and so many organizational duties taken care of to make this a safe and productive environment for the children of this school.

Staff have also been working very long hours to make sure the concert comes together with the dances fully rehearsed, costumes and accessories all completed and the hundreds of little things like labelling costumes, searching for bits and pieces to finish off costumes, paperwork, music editing – the list is endless and mostly goes unnoticed, so thank you to all of you for your support and help through this very busy term. A special thanks to the students who have given up countless hours to assist me in costume production.

And then there are the dancers who are coming up with delightful performances for you and our larger audience to enjoy. I hope that you will sit back and enjoy the show and cheer on each and every performer as they so richly deserve. And on that note please remain and watch the entire show – so many junior parents leave- leaving many empty seats when the senior ballet begins – so sad for them as they have worked so hard – and one day it will be YOUR child feeling let down because the junior families didn't want to watch them, even though their families and friends have watched and supported your little ones!

I have loved having my daughter her partner Craig and grandson Conor here and will be travelling to the UK with Laura and Conor after the concert for a well deserved break. This means costume sorting will need to be done quickly and efficiently in the couple of days before I leave.

The past year has been a huge one with moving out and back into our newly renovated studios and all the challenges this brought and still brings in particular with storage. As well there have been and will be massive staffing changes. We saw Mr Chris leave mid year to begin a new career in the Police Force and as a father of a wee girl, Margot. His loss left a big hole and we all miss him. To replace him we welcomed Courtenay Mantarro who has taken on the contemporary classes and William Douglas who has stepped in to dance Raymonda and to take on some of the senior classes when he can, as he is also a soloist with the Victorian State Ballet.

And now we have to farewell Miss Beth whose 20 years with RBG draws to a close so that she can spread her wings and develop her chosen career path overseas. It is terribly difficult when someone with such a long and close association leaves us and her place will be hard to fill. I do wish her the very best for her future and feel sure she will come visit when she can.

Miss Ashlee will also be taking Maternity leave over the first half of 2018 and once again this creates a huge hole in the staff but we are very thrilled for her and her husband Leigh!

And so we take on new staff – several very familiar faces as Miss Jessi, Miss Rhiann, Miss Monique and Mr Sam who have completed or are about to complete the teacher training process in various styles, step up to take on a number of junior classes. We also welcome Miss Courtney Rovers onto the staff and she will take on 3 classes on a Wednesday. Courtney is a trainee SFD examiner and we are very happy to welcome her into our RBG family. I am sure everyone will welcome and assist the new staff to settle in. Miss Kathryn will also take on more jazz classes during Miss Ashlee's absence.

Exciting news regarding former student Flynn Stelfox who has been notified that he will continue into Year 5 at the ABS. Natalie Smoel and Madeleine Magetti continue with Kelly Ackyers and Melinda Ferenczi appears to be have a hugely exciting time with the Australian Conservatoire of Ballet.

Now I will take the opportunity to wish you all a joyous festive season and the very best for 2017.

Regards  
Rosemary Frost

## ROSES AND CALENDARS

This year we will be selling fresh roses at all four full programmes. Roses are \$5 each or 3 for \$12 and are a lovely way to congratulate your dancer on their performance.

We will also be offering **2018 Calendar of 'The Queen Bee's Party' and 'Raymonda'** for sale at \$20 each featuring photos from this year's performance. This calendar will be a perfect keepsake/Christmas present and will be available for purchase at the Karralyka Theatre during concert time.

## STAGE MAKEUP

Stage Makeup remains the same as previous years. Info is available on the website under the 'Parent Zone' tab. Our recommended brand is 'Motives', but any brand will do as long as the colours are similar -

Foundation – 1 shade darker than skin tone

Eye Shadow – 3 Shades – Dark Brown, Beige and White/Cream. No Shimmers please.

Blush – Brick/Terracotta red, not pink or bright red.

Lipstick – Red (cherry red)

Powder – pressed or loose

Eyelashes – from Level 6 (Raymonda cast) up – medium length

Eye liner – Liquid is recommended – Black.

## CLEAN UP DAYS

We will be having a clean up day on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December at the RBG studios from 10am until 5pm – if you can spare some time to come down and help, please do. There will probably still be plenty still to do after this days and we'll communicate details as they are arranged.

## CONCERT WEEK SCHEDULE

### MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

The last class for the year is on from **7.00-8.30 p.m.**

Truck loaded at studios from 7pm – Bump In at Karralyka from 10.30pm till shortly after midnight

### TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

#### FULL DRESS REHEARSAL ON STAGE AT THE KARRALYKA THEATRE

Please note ALL costumes come to the theatre in a bag or on a hanger. Students are NOT permitted to wear them outside of the theatre and they must ALL remain in the theatre after the rehearsal

You are part of a team and your presence is needed for everyone else as well as yourself.

**MAKE UP IS OPTIONAL HOWEVER PHOTOS WILL BE TAKEN SO WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO HAVE IT DONE.**

**HAIR MUST BE CORRECTLY AND IMMACULATELY GROOMED.**

**This rehearsal will be for the junior ballet “Queen Bee’s Party” – all JAZZ and all TAP ITEMS AND BOTH CHARACTER CLASSES**

4.00-4.45	QUEEN BEE’S PARTY - <b>BLUE AND PURPLE CAST</b>
4.45-5.15	BREAK
5.15-6.00	QUEEN BEE’S PARTY - <b>RED AND PURPLE CAST</b>
6.00-6.30	OFFICIAL BREAK
6.30-7.30	ALL JAZZ ITEMS IN ORDER - <b>BLUE CAST THEN RED CAST</b>
7.45-8.30	ALL TAP ITEMS IN ORDER - <b>BLUE CAST THEN RED CAST</b>
8.30-9.15	CHARACTER

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**This rehearsal will be for CONTEMPORARY AND RAYMONDA**

4.00-4.30	CONTEMPORARY
4.30-5.00	BREAK AND SET RAYMONDA ACT 1
5.00-7.15	<b>RED CAST</b> RAYMONDA
7.15-7.30	CORRECTIONS

7.30-8.00	BREAK
8.00-10.15	<b>BLUE CAST</b> RAYMONDA
10.15-10.30	CORRECTIONS

## **SHOWTIME AT THE KARRALYKA!**

### **THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER -11am Community Matinee**

**RAYMONDA ONLY - RED CAST** OF LEADS AND ALL OTHER CAST MEMBERS FROM LEVEL 5 UP

9.30am	All seniors warm up
10.00am	Latest arrival time for all other performers in RAYMONDA
11.00am	Show begins
1.00pm	Approx show ends

### **THURSDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER- 7.00pm. **FULL SHOW BLUE CAST AND PURPLE CAST****

5.30pm	Stage door opens
5.40pm	Warm up for seniors
6.00pm	Latest arrival time for all juniors in junior ballet, jazz/tap and any seniors not in Raymonda.
7.00pm	Show begins

### **FRIDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER- 7.00pm **FULL SHOW RED CAST AND PURPLE CAST****

5.30pm	Stage door opens
5.40pm	Warm up for seniors
6.00pm	Latest arrival time for all juniors in junior ballet, jazz/tap and any seniors not in Raymonda.
7.00pm	Show begins

### **SATURDAY 16<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER - 12.30pm **FULL SHOW BLUE CAST AND PURPLE CAST****

11.00	Stage door opens
11.10	Warm up for seniors
11.30	Latest arrival time for all juniors in junior ballet, jazz/tap and any seniors not in Raymonda.
12.30	Show begins

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### **DRESSING ROOM ALLOCATION:**

Junior Ballet Levels (Bees – Ants - Fireflies, Level 2/3 Jazz and Tap)

Press Room – Upstairs in Foyer

Junior Ballet (Bugs and Spiders, Raymonda Yellow tutus - Level 4P Jazz/Tap, Level 4 Jazz/Tap, Level 5 Jazz/Tap)

DRESSING ROOM 1 (up the stairs to the right)

Raymonda – Green Tutus, Bronze Tutus

DRESSING ROOM 2

Raymonda – Intermediate up (Seniors)

DRESSING ROOM 3

**BOYS/MEN:**

UNDER STAGE ENCLOSED AREA

# IMPORTANT DATES 2018

## FEBRUARY 2018

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Enrolment day and trial classes for Kinder and Pre Primary

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> – Term 1 Begins

## MARCH 2018

DCI –Date to be confirmed if running

## JULY 2018

School Holidays – SFD Comps and compulsory exam practice

## SEPTEMBER 2018

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> – Presentation Evening TO BE CONFIRMED

## DECEMBER 2018

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> – Full Dress Rehearsal at Community Centre

Tuesday and Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> – Full Dress Rehearsals at Karralyka Theatre

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> – Concert (Matinee for Feature ballet and Evening)

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> – Concert (Evening)

Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> – Concert (Matinee and Evening)

## MORE IMPORTANT DATES TO COME IN THE NEW YEAR.

### COSTUME PHOTOS - VIEW & ORDER PHOTOS ONLINE

1. Visit [www.onlinepictureproof.com/wephotograph/albums/rbg/](http://www.onlinepictureproof.com/wephotograph/albums/rbg/)
2. Click on "find your album"  
"RBG Costume Photo Day 2017"

3. Enter the EVENT PASSWORD: **RBG1217**

Scroll through the folders of Images to view and order your favourite digital files or prints online.

**Order your photos by 18th December  
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Photos of *Raymonda*

and supporting programme will be available to Order online,  
Images taken at: karralyka theatre

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- Use the drop down arrow/box and click on the different catagories of Rbg Raymonda and Supporting programme

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## DVD ORDER FORM 2017

DVD \$50.00 each

Blue Ray DVD is \$65.00 each

Please pay for your DVD when ordering,  
DVD's not paid for will **NOT** be ordered

Please return by **10<sup>th</sup> December** – eftpos **WILL** be available at the Theatre

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Saturday Matinee - Blue Cast**      Qty \_\_\_\_\_

Normal or Blue Ray (please circle)

☐ **Saturday Evening - Red Cast**      Qty \_\_\_\_\_

Normal or Blue Ray (please circle)

### OFFICE USE - PAYMENT DETAILS

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Payment: \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt No: \_\_\_\_\_

Paid by (Please circle)    CASH    CHEQUE    DIRECT CREDIT    CC/EFTPOS

Credit Card Details: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

MONDAY					
Studio 1		Studio 2		Studio 3	
4.15-5.15	SFD Classical 3 R	4.15-5.15	Jazz 4P M	5.15-6.15	Inter/IF Pointe J
5.15-6.15	SFD Classical 4 R	5.15-6.15	Jazz 3 M	6.15-7.30	Adv F J
6.15-7.30	Intermediate R	6.15-7.00	Jnr Acro M (Levels 2-4)	7.30-8.30	IF/Inter Pilates Peg
7.45-9.00	Adv 2 R	7.30-8.30	Tap 8 W		
		8.30-9.30	Tap 9 W		
TUESDAY					
Studio 1		Studio 2		Studio 3	
4.15-5.30	SFD 5 R				
5.30-6.45	IFP R	5.30-6.30	Tap 4 JG	5.30-6.30	Senior Pilates Peg (Adv F up)
6.45-8.00	Adv 1 S	7.15-8.15	Tap 6 W	6.45-7.45	Junior Character Peg (Levels 4-6)
8.00-9.30	Senior Open R	8.15-9.15	Tap 10 W	7.45-8.30	Inter Acro M (Levels 5-IF)
WEDNESDAY					
Studio 1		Studio 2		Studio 3	
				3.45-4.30	Kinder P
4.15-5.30	SFD 6 R	4.30-5.15	Jazz 1 RC	4.30-5.15	Pre-Primary P
5.30-6.45	Grade 6P R	5.15-6.00	Jazz 2 RC	5.15-6.00	SFD 1 P
7.00-8.30	Adv 2 S	6.00-7.00	Tap 5 CR	6.00-6.45	SFD 2 J
		7.00-8.00	Jazz 6 CR	6.45-8.00	IF J
		8.00-9.00	Tap 7 CR		
THURSDAY					
Studio 1		Studio 2		Studio 3	
4.15-5.30	IF R			4.15-5.30	Boys Class? S
5.30-6.45	Adv F R	5.30-6.30	Senior Acro Sam (Inter up)		
6.45-7.45	Adv pointe			6.45-8.00	Inter Contemporary (Levels 6-Inter) CM
8.15-9.15	Adult Class			8.00-9.15	Senior Contemporary (Adv F up) CM
FRIDAY					
Studio 1		Studio 2		Studio 3	
4.30-6.00	RAD Grade 8 R	4.15-5.15	Jazz 5 K	4.15-5.00	Inter Acro Sam (Levels 5-IF)
6.00-7.00		5.15-6.15	Jazz 7 K	5.15-6.30	SFD 6 J
7.00-8.15	Adv 1 R	6.15-7.15	Jazz 8 K	6.30-7.45	IFP J
8.30-9.30	Teacher Training R	7.15-8.15	Jazz 9 K	7.45-9.00	Intermediate J
		8.15-9.15	Jazz 10 K		
SATURDAY					
Studio 1		Studio 2		Studio 3	
9.00-10.30	RAD Grade 6 R	9.00-9.45	Tap 2 JG	9.00-9.45	SFD 1 J
10.30-12.00	RAD Grade 7 R	9.45-10.30	Tap 1 JG	9.45-10.30	SFD 2 J
12.00-1.30	Snr Open R	10.30-11.15	Pre-Primary RC	10.30-11.30	SFD 3 J
1.30-3.00	Repertoire R/J	11.15-12.00	Kinder RC	11.30-12.30	SFD 4 J
		12.00-1.00	Tap 3 JG	12.30-1.30	SFD 5 J
		1.00-2.00	Tap 4P JG		
		2.00-3.00	Jazz 4 M	3.00-4.00	Snr Character Peg (IF up)

R = Rosemary W = Wendy P = Penny Peg = Peggy S = Susan K = Kathryn JG = Jessi

J = Janine M = Monique CR = Courtney R Sam = Sam CM = Courtney M RC = Rhiann